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DERMAL-EPIDERMAL JUNCTIONS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Prior to the calculation of fees and examination of the above-identified national stage application pursuant to the accompanying submission under 35 U.S.C. §371, please amend the International Application transmitted by the International Bureau, without prejudice, as follows.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this Preliminary Amendment. Amendments to the Claims begin on page 4 of this Preliminary Amendment. Remarks begin on page 8 of this Preliminary Amendment.